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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, dated May 3, 2005, in the aboveidentified application.

This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723. Application No.: 10/670659

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## REMARKS

Claims 1 to 40 are pending. In an effort to expedite prosecution, rejected claims 1-8, 11, 13-15, 18-31, 36 and 38-40 have been canceled. Claims 9, 10, 12, 16, 17, 32-35 and 37 have been amended herein to overcome the Examiner's objection that the claims are dependant on a rejected base claim; thus, with this amendment, the case should be in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted.

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